

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A barium titanate powder comprising a perovskite structure having a ratio c/a of ~~1.008~~1.0089 or more, ratio d/D of from 1 to ~~1.89~~1.5, atomic ratio Ba/Ti of ~~0.996 to 0.998~~0.997 to 1.001, and BET specific surface area of from $6.49 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ to ~~7.278~~6.65 m^2/g , wherein “c” is a length of a c axis, “a” is a length of an a axis in the perovskite structure, “d” is an average particle diameter and “D” is an equivalent BET specific surface area diameter.

2. (original): The barium titanate powder according to Claim 1 wherein the average particle diameter is $0.3 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ or less.

3. (original): The barium titanate powder according to Claim 2 wherein the average particle diameter is $0.05 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ or more.

4. (original): The barium titanate powder according to Claim 1 wherein the particle density is 5.8 g/cm^3 or more.

5. (original): The barium titanate powder according to any of Claims 1 to 4 wherein the loose bulk density is 1.4 g/cm^3 or more and the packed bulk density is 1.8 g/cm^3 or more.

6. - 17. (canceled).

18. (previously presented): A barium titanate powder according to claim 1, wherein the ratio Ba/Ti is from 0.997 to 0.998.